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LIVEUNIVERSE, INC.,

Plaintiff

United States District Court

District of New Jersey
Civil Action No. 2:22-04918 ES-JBC

vs.

RENE MUIJRERS, ICONV SPRL,
TECHIE HOSTING, INC, VIRALHOG,
LLC, CHRISTOPHER VANDEVYVER,
IVAN RUSSO, KMMT, LLC,
THEODORA HATZIKOSTAS, BRENT
MAGGIO, RYAN BARTHOLOMEW,
and WAYNE ANASTASIAS,

Defendants

Certification to Motion to Withdraw

I, Howard Gutman, do hereby certify:

1. I am currently listed as the attorney for plaintiff Live Universe, Inc. I was originally contacted to serve as local counsel. I understood another lawyer named Maria Guerrero would be primary counsel
2. My client would be Live Universe .
3. Unfortunately, there have been significant challenges and differences of opinion. My client has recently voiced dissatisfaction over my handling and communications I've sent.
4. There was to be a primary counsel which would not be me.
A question arose over Ms. Guerrero's role, and there seemed to a consensus that having multiple lawyers, a primary and local counsel, was unnecessary, and a single attorney should be retained. I requested that arrangements be promptly made for retention of that counsel and communicated

that in multiple emails, but retention has been delayed. My understanding is that the prospective counsel's wife was having a baby. Additionally my client explained that he had another major matter in the 2nd Circuit that was occupying time. I can appreciate the challenge of handling multiple matters but ultimately my role is to make sure appropriate papers are filed and deadlines addressed in this matter.

5. I would request that I be permitted to withdraw.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment

Dated: May 30, 2023

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